SPOTLIGHT: OPEN DATA TO OPEN KNOWLEDGE

This project seeks to increase public access to the City's data by doing the following:



Inventory and catalog

We will work with Data Coordinators to inventory and catalog the datasets that reside within each department.



Re-launch of the open data portal

Once the City's datasets are discovered and properly described, they will be opened up to all users on the next iteration of the open data portal.



Data literacy

We will work with the Boston Public Library to build and deliver open data related training curriculum to Boston area librarians to foster public access to the City's data.



Key benefits

Boston and the City's departments will benefit in the following ways:

- + Support the release of appropriate datasets on the open data portal, in keeping with the Mayor's executive order
- + Easier access for departments to their own data and that of other departments
- + Facilitate compliance with anticipated changes to the Public Records Law
- + A more informed and engaged public citizenry